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Application Number	09/872,337
Filing Date	06/01/01
First Named Inventor	Spitzer
Art Unit	3751
Examiner Name	LE, Huyen D.
Attorney Docket Number	0594.00029

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## 1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114

### a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

### b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(l) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

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i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(e)

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§1.136 and 1.17)

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For: NO DRIP BEDPAN  
Attorney Docket No.: 0594.00029

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application prior to consideration of the application on the merits. Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time within which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. Granting the petition would extend the time for filing the Response to December 19, 2002. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or credit any overpayment in connection with this communication to our Deposit Account No. 11-1449.